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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: TERRORISM -- U.S. POLICY;
INDO-PAK RELATIONS; NEW DELHI.

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TERRORISM: U.S. POLICY

11. "FAILURES OF U.S INTELLIGENCE AND ANXIETY OF PRESIDENT OBAMA," op-ed in January 10 right-of-center Urdu daily HINDUSTAN EXPRESS: "President Obama has come down hard on U.S secret agencies for their intelligence failure on the failed Christmas bombing attempt. The real question, however, is why are terrorists being created within the U.S intelligence agencies themselves? It is said that a turncoat CIA agent carried out a suicide bombing at a CIA camp in Afghanistan in recent past in which 8 CIA agents were killed. Prior to this, an U.S Army Doctor Major Hasan also killed his 13 colleagues at Fort Hood."

12. "WAR DOES NOT BRING DEMOCRACY," op-ed in January 8 Hindi daily, RASHTRIYA SAHARA: "U.S. President Barack Obama recently said that the U.S. struggle against violent terrorism will not be limited to Afghanistan and Pakistan. Immediately after that, the U.S. launched attacks on alleged Al-Qaida bases in Yemen following

the failed attempt to blow up a Christmas Day U.S. flight. Saudi Arabia and Egypt have also become a part of it. Besides Iran, Algeria, Sudan, Syria and Somalia are also on the U.S. hitlist. Result: anti-U.S. sentiments are again on the rise. The U.S. mission of democracy and freedom is becoming dependent on tyrannical ruling systems in thirst for power."

13. "IMPERIALISTIC GAME IN YEMEN," editorial in January 10 right-of-center Urdu daily URDU TIMES: "America's imperialistic game in Yemen is not different from that being played in Afghanistan and Iraq. Since Yemen lies in the vicinity of Saudi Arabia, the imperialist forces are busy in increasing their military presence around the two holy mosques, so that Zionist and Christian siege may be laid down around the spiritual centers of Muslims. The so-called superpower America is bound to extend its sphere of influence in order to control the entire resources of the world. If the Muslim community keeps following the dictates of America, it may face grave consequences in the future."

INDO-PAK RELATIONS

14. "PAKISTAN'S HIGH DRAMA," editorial in January 11 centrist Marathi daily, SAKAAL: "To hold India responsible for the mayhem in Karachi is Pakistan's mistake and a clever ploy. Pakistan's administration, military and political leadership keep themselves far from introspection and improvement. They have the nerve to pin blame on India for terrorist attacks on their

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soil. Could this be another way of instigating India?"

15. "WEAKNESS ON KASHMIR," editorial in January 9 right-of-center Hindi daily, DAINIK JAGRAN: "Last week's terror attack in Indian Kashmir's capital Srinagar should be an eye opener for India. It shows that terror was not quite dead, as was being projected. It cannot be a coincidence that on the one hand there is an increase in terrorist activities in Kashmir and on the other hand Pakistan's President says that Kashmir's freedom is a Pakistani priority. India's defensive attitude sends a wrong message to the international community that India is a hurdle in resolving the Kashmir issue."
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